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Dighton-Rehoboth Regional School District
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National School Lunch & Breakfast Program

The Dighton-Rehoboth Regional School District offers healthy meals every school day. Breakfast costs **\$1.95**; Lunch costs **\$2.70 at the Elementary Schools and \$2.95 at the Middle Schools and at the High School. Your child(ren) may qualify for free meals or for reduced price meals.** Reduced price is **\$.30** for breakfast and **\$.40** for lunch. The following is information regarding free and reduced price lunch and breakfast for those students unable to pay the full price for meals under the National School Lunch & Breakfast Program. The following household size and income criteria will be used to determine eligibility:

INCOME ELIGIBILITY GUIDELINES

(Effective July 1, 2017 – June 30, 2018)

HOUSEHOLD SIZE	Free Meals (130%)					Reduced Meals (185%)				
	YEAR	MONTH	Twice per Month	Every Two Weeks	WEEK	YEAR	MONTH	Twice per Month	Every Two Weeks	WEEK
1	15678	1307	654	603	302	22311	1860	930	859	430
2	21112	1760	880	812	406	30044	2504	1252	1156	578
3	26546	2213	1107	1021	511	37777	3149	1575	1453	727
4	31980	2665	1333	1230	615	45510	3793	1897	1751	876
5	37414	3118	1559	1439	720	53243	4437	2219	2048	1024
6	42848	3571	1786	1648	824	60976	5082	2541	2346	1173
7	48282	4024	2012	1857	929	68709	5726	2863	2643	1322
8	53716	4477	2239	2066	1033	76442	6371	3186	2941	1471
Each additional family member, add	5434	453	227	209	105	7733	645	323	298	149

Children from households that meet federal guidelines [above] are eligible for free or reduced price meal services. Applications are provided to all students no later than the first day of school and are also available on the school web-sites and in the Principals' offices of each school. Complete one application per household for all children that attend the same school district. Households must answer all applicable questions. Incomplete applications cannot be processed. Paper applications require up to five days to account for the additional time needed for mail delivery and manual

processing. Households may apply for benefits at any time during the school year. Homeless, migrant, runaway youth and foster care children are categorically eligible for free meals. Households that do not agree with the determination may request a fair hearing.

If you receive a letter that states your child(ren) are eligible for free meals via the direct certification process, you do NOT need to complete an application to receive free meal benefits. However, if there are students in your household that are not listed on this letter, please inform the school as these students are also entitled to free meal benefits.

All meals served must meet the meal requirements as defined by the U.S. Department of Agriculture. If a child has been determined by a doctor to have a disability and the disability would prevent the child from eating the regular school meal (or alternate), the staff, in conjunction with doctor recommendations, will make substitutions at no extra charge. If your child needs substitutions because of a disability, please contact the school for further information.

Non-discrimination Statement: This explains what to do if you believe you have been treated unfairly.

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Office of the Assistant Secretary for Civil Rights
1400 Independence Avenue, SW
Washington, D.C. 20250-9410;
- (2) fax: (202) 690-7442; or
- (3) email: program.intake@usda.gov.

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